

• Provided by Emeritus at Liberal Springs While sending care packages to troops overseas is a time-honored tradition, Emeritus at Liberal Springs will be delivering them to local senior veterans or their surviving spouses during Memorial Day week in an initiative designed to assist them in staying safely in their homes. This program is part of a national effort by Emeritus Senior Living to deliver more than 2,000 care packages and provide a helping hand with safety measures for seniors.

Called "Heroes Emeritus" in honor of the veterans' service, the program is underway now and runs through Memorial Day.

The Heroes Emeritus care packages include night-lights, first aid kits, medication management containers, water bottles, healthy snacks and other items that make a senior's daily life and home more secure.

In addition to delivering the packages, the Emeritus team will perform a home safety check to ensure the living environment is free of any potential hazards.

"Our veterans and the spouses who gave their support on the home front have done so much to keep our nation safe," said Misti Bohl, community relations director of Emeritus at Liberal Springs. "We'd like to do what we can to help keep these heroes stay safe in their senior years."

Bohl noted that the Heroes Emeritus program is part of the Emeritus philosophy of "Safely Somewhere" – an initiative that helps ensure that seniors are residing in safe, meaningful situations, regardless of whether it is in their own homes or elsewhere.

Members of the public who would like to recommend a local senior veteran or veteran spouse for the Heroes Emeritus program are asked to call Emeritus at Liberal Springs at (620) 624-8000 or via e-mail at LiberalSprings-CRD@emeritus.com.

Heroes Emeritus partners include Omnicare, Caring.com, the Fischer Group, Life Care Funding Group, Gulf South, Kellogg's and Campbell's – all of which made generous donations to fill the veteran care packages.